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SUBJECT: TERRORIST INCIDENT IN KUALA LUMPUR

1. FOLLOWING IS SITUATION REPORT (NO. 3) AS OF 1900 EDT.

2. THE JAL PLANE CARRYING THE PRISONERS DEMANDED BY THE TERRORISTS IN KUALA LUMPUR IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE TOKYO (HANEDA AIRPORT AT 7:00 P.M. EDT. BEFORE THEY LEAVE, THE TERRORISTS IN KUALA LUMPUR HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK TO TWO OF THE PRISONERS. IN RETURN THE JAPANESE NEGOTIATOR IN CONTACT WITH THE TERRORISTS ASKED THAT FOOD BE SUPPLIED TO THE HOSTAGES (THE TERRORISTS HAVE PREVIOUSLY REFUSED TO ALLOW FOOD TO BE BROUGHT IN) AND PRESSED FOR THE RELEASE OF ALL THE HOSTAGES FOLLOWING THE PHONE CALL. THE TERRORISTS WERE ADAMANT THAT THEY WOULD NOT RELEASE ANY OF THE
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HOSTAGES BUT FINALLY PROMISED THEY WOULD CONSIDER RELEASE

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OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT THAT TIME.

3. TWO OF THE SEVEN PRISONERS REFUSED THE OFFER TO GO TO KUALA LUMPUR. THE TERRORISTS STATED THAT ALL SEVEN OF THE PRISONERS SHOULD MAKE THE FLIGHT AND ANYONE WHO THEN WANTED TO STAY IN KUALA LUMPUR COULD DO SO. THE JAPANESE BELIEVE THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH BRINGING ONLY THE FIVE PRISONERS WHO WANTED TO GO.

4. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON INFORMED THE TASK FORCE THAT FOUR JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, TWENTY-TWO SECURITY PERSONNEL AND SEVENTEEN JAL CREW MEMBERS WILL ACCOMPANY THE PRISONERS ON THE PLANE. THE TERRORISTS HAVE ACCEPTED THIS ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT WHEN THE PLANE TAKES OFF FROM KUALA LUMPUR BEARING THE PRISONERS AND THE TERRORISTS THERE WILL BE FEWER JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL ON BOARD.

5. THE TERRORISTS HAVE NOT ANNOUNCED ANY SPECIFIC DESTINATION FOR THE FLIGHT OUT OF KUALA LUMPUR BUT THEY HAVE STATED THE PLANE WILL FLY TO AN "ARAB NATION." THE TASK FORCE IS ALERTING ALL NEA POSTS TO THIS POSSIBILITY.
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